

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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EXPORT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to export agricultural products like wheat and rice;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, till date; and
- (c) the details of foreign exchange earned therefrom?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) & (b): As regards wheat, the export is currently banned. Rice is freely permitted for export under the Foreign Trade Policy in force. However, export of Basmati rice is subject to registration of contracts with APEDA.

(c): During the last three years, details of foreign exchange earned from export of rice and wheat is as under:

	Value in (Million USD)		
	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Basmati Rice	628.49	687.34	614.00
Non Basmati	878.01	717.85	940.98
Wheat	324.90	125.93	7.99
Source : DGCIS			